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BRIDGETON, Mo. (KSDK) - Sources tell NewsChannel 5's I-Team that Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster will file suit against Republic Services, the owner of the Bridgeton landfill, Wednesday morning.

For months, people who live and work near the Bridgeton landfill have been complaining about horrific odors and they have been voicing concerns about potential health threats.

An underground smoldering event beneath the landfill has firefighters and some state officials worried as well. Last week, the head of the Department of Natural Resources asked Mr. Koster's office to look into legal action against Republic Services to "resolve past, present, and future, environmental violations."

The Bridgeton landfill is adjacent to the West Lake Landfill where there are thousands of tons of radioactive waste. Some fear the underground fires could reach the radioactive material, but state and federal officials say that is not an immediate concern.

Mr. Koster will hold a news conference in St. Louis at 11 a.m. to announce a civil suit against the company, seeking potential fines.

A spokesperson for Republic Services maintains the site does not pose any health risk and that company officials will work with any state or federal agency to resolve issues.